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1. REFTEL A REPORTS CINCSOUTH'S READINESS TO MEET WITH POLISH JOURNALISTS WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25. AS ADDRESSEES WILL RECALL, USNATO ACTED STRONGLY IN SUPPORT OF A NATO VISIT BY POLISH JOURNALISTS. WE HAD UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER (REF C), THAT NATO PORTIONS OF POLISH JOURNALISTS' PROPOSED 1978 TOUR HAD BEEN DROPPED. IT WILL ALSO BE RECALLED THAT ON BASIS OF REF C WE TOLD ITALIAN DELEGATION HERE PRIVATELY THAT POLISH JOURNALISTS GROUP WOULD NOT BE VISITING ITALY
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(REF D). ADDITIONALLY, PENDING VIEWS OF POSTS IN ITALY REGARDING FEASIBILITY OF NAPLES VISIT INCLUDING BRIEFING ON ROLE OF NATO'S SOUTHERN COMMAND, WE NEVER RAISED SPECIFIC POSSIBILITY OF NAPLES VISIT IN NATO FORUM (REF (F)).

2. WE BELIEVE THAT SCHEDULING POLISH JOURNALISTS

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FOR VISIT TO NATO'S CINCSOUTH HEADQUARTERS FOLLOWING
DECISION TO DROP NATO PORTIONS OF TOUR WOULD BE
DIFFICULT TO EXPLAIN HERE GIVEN OUR STATEMENT IN
NATO'S POLITICAL COMMITTEE THAT VISIT TO NATO WOULD
NOT TAKE PLACE THIS YEAR (REF D). BENNETT

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